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The Honorable Das Williams
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RE: AB 1594 (Williams) – Solid Waste: Recycling: Diversion: Green Material Green Waste used as Alternative Daily Cover at a Solid Waste Landfill - SWANA - NEUTRAL AS AMENDED

Dear Assemblyman Williams,

The Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) is the world's largest association of solid waste professionals (7700 members). SWANA's California chapters represent more than 900 members. SWANA is committed to advancing the practice of environmentally- and economically-sound management of municipal solid waste. SWANA's California Legislative Task Force (LTF) is responsible for representing the California Chapters on legislative and regulatory issues.

Based on AB 1594 as amended in the Senate the June 12, 2014, the SWANA LTF is pleased to inform you that we are **NEUTRAL** on **AB 1594**. The SWANA LTF has historically opposed the elimination of both diversion credits for the use, and the actual use of green waste as Alternative Daily Cover (ADC). This is because green waste serves as a useful replacement for the use of other materials as ADC.

The SWANA LTF would also like to note that we are strongly supportive of the 5/27/2014 amendments taken in the Appropriations Committee that eliminate the application of the disposal fee. We feel that this amendment strikes an appropriate compromise among the stakeholders and would vehemently oppose any effort to roll back this change.

Sincerely,

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SWANA Legislative Advocate.

Cc: The Honorable Jerry Hill, Chair, Senate Environmental Quality Committee
Members and Consultants, Senate Environmental Quality Committee